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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you in regard to the letter received today from MCI. Enclosed you will find a copy of such letter.

Simply put, I strongly object to the 63.71 Application of MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verízon Business Services.

- If you grant MCI the authority to discontinue their Personal 800 Program,
 I will be losing the sole means by which some people have to contact me.
 Therefore, if the FCC were to approve the application before you, the FCC would essentially render me cut off from them and visa versa.
- I have had my Personal 800 numbers for decades. In fact, I have had my 800 numbers for twenty-five (25) years or so. Ergo, these numbers have held a significant role in my life.
- As I see it, allowing MCI to terminate such a program and in turn take my phone numbers away from me, is equivalent to a phone company trying to prevent me from keeping a telephone number I have had, particularly for such a length of time. If phone companies are prohibited from doing so, why should this situation be any different.
- Lastly, it does not appear that these phone numbers can be maintained by a phone company other than MCI. [Of note: This is not a free service offered by MCI. In fact, MCI has charged inflated rates for this service which have increased over time. However, in order to retain my 800 numbers, I have had to accept this trend (end keep MCI for my home service).]

Given the facts presented, I hope the FCC will find cause **not** to approve MCI's application to terminate this program. Thank you for your time and courtesy. I do hope you can be of help.

Sincerely,

ENC.

Gail e. Slavit

MCI Communications Services, Inc. P.O. Box 31303 Salt Lake City, UT 84130-1303



November 12, 2015

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DELRAY BEACH FL 33445-7005

Account no:

NOTICE OF PERSONAL 800 SERVICE DISCONTINUANCE

Dear GAIL E. SLAVIT,

As a valued customer, we want to make you aware of an upcoming change in our services. From time to time we evaluate and update our product portfolio to serve our customers. Due to overall declines in Personal 800 usage, MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services has made the difficult decision to discontinue this MCI service.

What does this mean to you?

On or after January 16, 2016, subject to applicable federal and state regulatory approvals, the MCI Personal 800 service, will be discontinued. This service provides a post-paid billing option for domestic calls to your home using assigned toll-free access numbers and personal PINs from anywhere within the United States. If you are using this service, please make alternate arrangements after this date. Personal 800 calls completed before the date of discontinuance will be billed as usual on your normal bill cycle date.

What if I have other MCI services?

Local, long distance, and international subscriber plans active with MCI will <u>not</u> be affected by this change. You may continue to place domestic and international calls using these MCI plans.

We value your continued business, and we regret any inconvenience this action may cause you. Our MCI Service Representatives are ready to assist you with questions or concerns, and can be reached at 1-800-444-3333, the toll-free number on your bill, or visit our website at www.mci.com.

Thank you,

MCI Communications Services, Inc.

FCC Required Notice: The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of MCI Communications Services, Inc d/b/a Verizon Business Services. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

MCI Communications Services, Inc.'s address is 1 Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920